

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraphs of the specification as shown below, in which deleted items are indicated with strikethrough and/or double brackets, and added terms are indicated with underscoring.

Page 3, delete the third paragraph, beginning with the words "Further, the air bag system" and replace it with the following paragraph:

Further, the air bag system according to an embodiment of the present invention is characterized by providing at least one flow-constricting penetrating portion in the air bag.

Page 3, delete the fourth paragraph, beginning with the words "In addition, the air bag system" and replace it with the following paragraph:

In addition, the air bag system according to another embodiment of the invention is characterized by provision of at least one flow-constricting joint portion in the air bag.

Page 8, delete the paragraph, beginning with the words "According to the air bag system of the present invention, and replace it with the following paragraph:

According to the air bag system of the present invention, the volume of air bags may be maintained constant by providing a flow-constricting penetrating portion or portions and/or a flow-constricting joint portion or portions in predetermined sizes in the air bag. As shown, the flow-constricting portion(s) are disposed adjacent to the opening

portion of the airbag, where such portion(s) function to regulate the rate at which gas from the inflator flows into the airbag. Due to this, the same size inflator may be used on different car types while maintaining the occupant restraining performance of the air bag.